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1. In early September 1952, [redacted] 14 five-story quartering buildings were being built for the Volkspolizei on the beach near Prora. Two of these buildings were completed. The FDGB rest house south of these buildings is said to have also been requisitioned by the Volkspolizei (VP). (1)
  2. A tent camp west of the Dinz-Prora road quartered about 2,500 VPs who were to move into the buildings mentioned above. (2)
  3. A five-story U-shaped house was observed north of the buildings mentioned above. The northern section of this building housed a motion picture theater and a lecture hall with a capacity of about 2,500 men. Class rooms were also available there. Sixteen garages suitable for tanks were observed in the southern section of the building. Rooms suitable for repair shops were also observed there. An administrative headquarters of the VPs was located in this building.
  4. Eighteen AA guns of about 80-mm caliber, 35 x 50-mm AT guns and 15 BMW sedans were observed in a parking lot west of the angular building. Three of these sedans were used by high-ranking VP officers. About 30 x 80-mm AA guns, 35 x 50-mm AT guns and about 80 tanks were observed in a fenced-in area, a few hundred meters north of this parking lot. (3)
  5. About 1 km north of the U-shaped building, a similar building was under construction. Soviet soldiers were allegedly to be quartered there. (1)
- 25X1 [redacted] the VP units in the Prora area are under the command of VP Inspekteur Pressler (Inu) [redacted]
- 25X16. [redacted]
- 25X1 Pressler was always accompanied by a Soviet colonel and a Soviet captain. Other VP
- 25X1 officers who were probably assigned to Pressler's staff [redacted]
- [redacted]
7. The VP units in the Prora area were being given infantry training. About 500 men were employed for construction work.
  8. About noon on 3 September, a VP unit equipped with 20 tanks arrived in Prora. The unit had allegedly come from Grestrow. (5) and (6)

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- (1) This is the first information on the location of the barracks buildings under construction near Prora. Statements made by VP deserters on the personnel strength of VP units assembled in the Prora area indicate that these barracks installations must have a quartering capacity of about 20,000 men.
- (2) According to previous information, more VP are quartered in tent camps or other temporary quarters.
- (3) Previous information on arms shipments arriving on Ruegen Island since August 1952 indicates that the tanks and guns observed by source are only a small part of the weapons equipment available. More than 300 tanks and SP guns are believed to have been shipped to Ruegen Island.
- (4) According to other information, VP Inspekteur Pressler (fnu) is in charge of construction projects for the Kasernierte Volkspolizei and in this capacity is assigned to the Bureau for Economic Affairs. It is believed improbable that Pressler has a military command on Ruegen Island. [ ]

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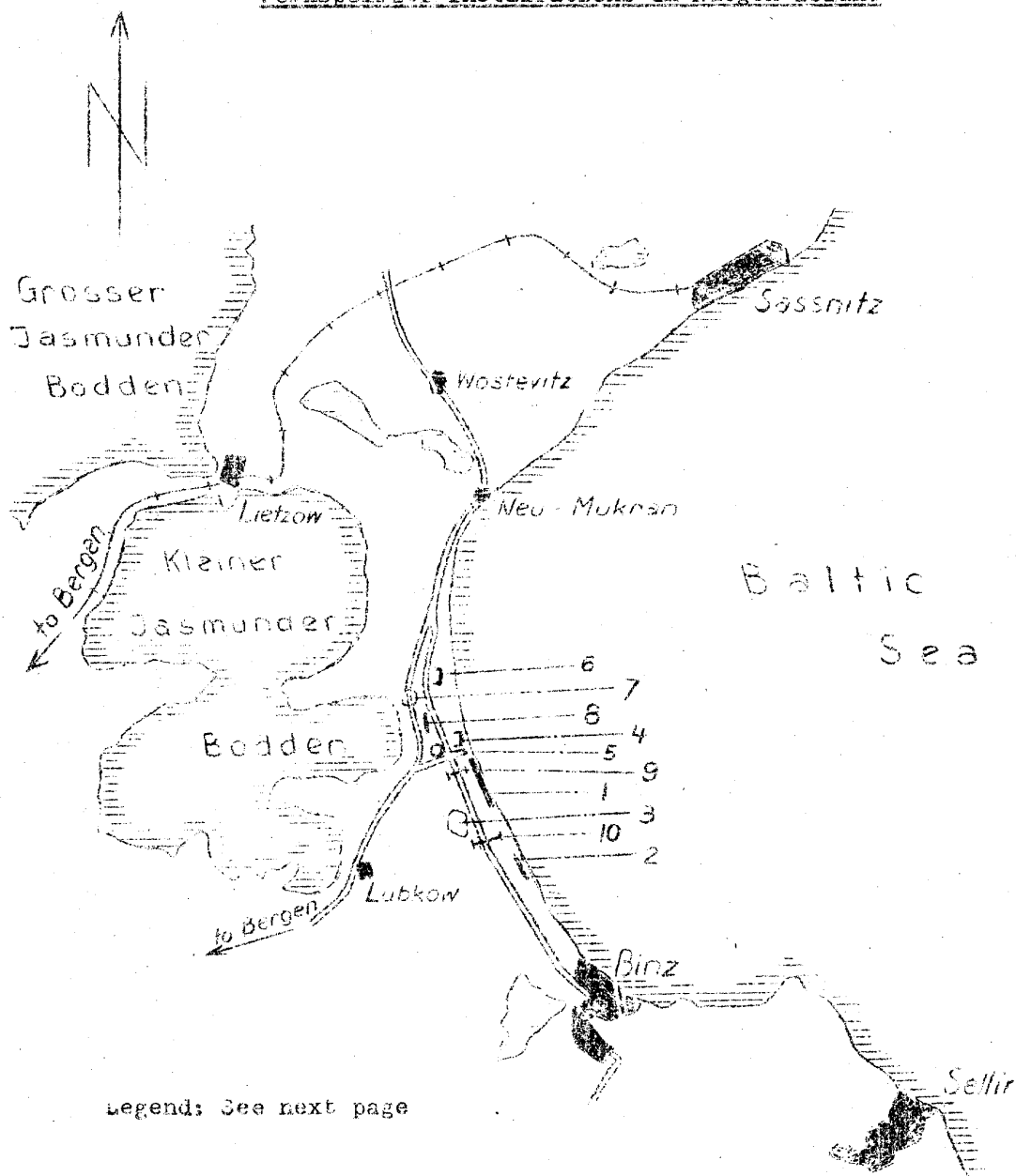
- (5) An instruction unit may have been transferred from the tank school in Guestrow-Prismarwald to Prora.
- (6) For location sketch of the installations mentioned in the report, see Annex.

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Volkspolizei Installations on Ruegen Island



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Annex

Legend:

- 1 Fourteen five-story barracks buildings, two of them completed.
- 2 FDGB rest house.
- 3 VP tent camp.
- 4 Completed U-shaped building.
- 5 Parking lot for guns and sedans.
- 6 U-shaped building under construction.
- 7 Parking lot for guns and tanks.
- 8 Houses for VP officers.
- 9 and 10  
Road barriers.

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